

## **SUPPORT HB178**

March 29, 2022

Madam Chair, Mr. Vice-Chair and Committee Members Finance Committee 3 East Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Committee Members,

On behalf of Grow & Fortify—an organization that supports value-added agricultural industries in Maryland—we offer support for HB178.

Quite simply, this legislation brings incredible benefit to local businesses by increasing the revenue they're able to generate under their cottage food allowance from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

We urge your support of this legislation's very limited request to allow a producer of cottage food to earn more revenue from their craft.

Sincerely,

Kevin Atticks / Founder & CEO

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